

**Amendments To The Claims:**

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the application.

**Listing of the Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) ~~A device for allowing secure identification of an individual when accessing information~~ An apparatus, comprising:

~~a serial-bus port;~~

~~a controller coupled to the serial-bus port; and~~

a storage medium coupled to ~~[[the]]~~ a controller, wherein the storage medium is to ~~include store a unique identifier of the apparatus and security information of an individual~~ to be accessed by the controller; ~~and said security information to includes at least one of the identity of the individual, an identifier for the device, and identifying where the device has been used.~~

the controller coupled to the port to record on the storage medium data identifying locations the apparatus and the individual have visited and to prevent the individual from modifying the data identifying locations as stored in the storage medium; and

the controller, in response to a request, to provide the data identifying locations the apparatus and the individual have visited.

2. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ apparatus of claim 1 wherein the ~~serial-bus~~ port comprises any one of a firewire port, USB port or an infiniband port.

3. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ apparatus of claim 1 wherein the storage medium comprises a memory.

4-9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ apparatus of claim 1 wherein the security information can be enhanced or modified by downloading data to the ~~device~~ apparatus.

11. (Currently Amended) A system for allowing for secure identification of an individual when accessing information, comprising:

a central hub;

a plurality of key touchpoints coupled to the central hub; and

at least one device coupled to at least one of a plurality of key touchpoints, the at least one device comprising:

a ~~serial~~ port;

~~a controller coupled to the serial port; and~~

a storage medium coupled to ~~[[the]]~~ a controller wherein the storage medium ~~includes is to~~ store a unique identifier of the at least one device and security information of an individual which can be accessed by the controller, and said security information includes a plurality of levels comprising any combination of a level for providing the identity of the individual, a level for identifying an identifier for the device, and a level for indicating where the device has been used  
the controller coupled to the port to record on the storage medium data identifying locations the at least one device and the individual have visited and to prevent the individual from modifying the data identifying locations as stored in the storage medium; and  
the controller, in response to a request, to provide the data identifying locations the at least one device and the individual have visited.

12. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 11 wherein the ~~serial bus~~ port comprises any one of a firewire port, USB port or an infiniband port.

13. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein each of at least one touchpoints comprises a personal computer.

14. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the storage medium comprises a memory.

15-20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 11 wherein the security information within [[a]] the at least one device can be enhanced or modified by downloading data to the at least one device.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the key touchpoint comprises any one of airports, car rentals, or banks.